Heaven And Heavens?

Gen 1:1
In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Gen 1:1 states that God created the heaven and the earth. The focus is on heaven which is singular speaking. Only one heaven.

The reference to the singular heaven is mentioned again in Genesis verses 1:8, 1:15, 1:17)

The Old Testament Hebrew definition of heaven is;

H8064 שָׁמַיִם שָׁמָה The second form being dual of an unused singular; from an unused root meaning to be lofty; the sky (as aloft; the dual perhaps alluding to the visible arch in which the clouds move, as well as to the higher ether where the celestial bodies revolve).

It was not until Genesis 1:26 that God said "let us make man in our image, after our likeness."

Then in Genesis 2:1 the word heaven now becomes plural after the creation of man on the earth.

Gen 2:1
Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

Prior to creation there was only one heaven. After Genesis 2:1, we now see there are multiple heavens.

Luke 12:31
But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Luke 17:21
Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

1Kings 8:27
But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded?

(See Also; 2Ch 6:18)

Acts 7:49
Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: what house will ye build me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?

(See Also; Isa 66:1, Acts 17:24)

God references a singular heaven, his self. God is asking if humankind is dwelling in the soul.

Deu 10:14
Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the LORD'S thy God, the earth also, with all that therein is.

Psalms 148:4
Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens.

(See Also; 1Kings 8:27, 2Ch 2:6, 6:18)

Living waters are the representation of spiritual life and blessings.

John 7:38
He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

(See Also; John 4:10, Jer 2:13, 17:13)

So how much heaven, the kingdom of God, is within you? Where is God's place of rest?

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